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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT Fillmore Field Office 95 East 500 North Fillmore, UT 84631-3513

IN REPLY REFER TO: 4720 (UTW02000)

June 25, 2020

Dear Reader:

The Draft Confusion HMA Wild Horse Management and Gather Plan Environmental Assessment (EA) (DOI-BLM-UT-W020-2018-015-EA) for the Confusion Herd Management Area (HMA) is out for public review and comment. This EA has been prepared to analyze the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Fillmore Field Office proposal to gather and remove excess wild horses from inside and outside the HMA. The proposal also includes population suppression measures to help maintain the wild horse population within the appropriate management level (AML) of 70 to 115. The estimated population of this HMA is approximately 551, which is 479% above the AML.

This document is tiered to the House Range Resource Area Final Resource Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/EIS), 1986 and in compliance with the Final RMP/ROD, 1987. Should a determination be made that implementation of the actions would not result in "significant environmental impacts" or "significant environmental impacts beyond those already addressed in the RMP/EIS", a Finding of No Significant Impact will be prepared to document that determination, and a Decision Record issued providing the rationale for approving the chosen alternative.

The Confusion HMA is approximately 235,005 acres of public and state lands, and is located approximately 30 miles north of Garrison, Utah. The HMA ranges from an elevation of 4,420 feet in the valleys to 7,200 feet.

Comments on the Draft Confusion HMA Wild Horse Management and Gather Plan EA (DOI-BLM-UT-W020-2018-015-EA) will be accepted until July 25, 2020. Interested individuals can access and comment on the document via <a href="https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/home">https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/home</a>. Comments may also be written and sent by mail to the BLM Fillmore Field Office, 95 E 500 N, Fillmore, UT 84631, Attn: Trent Staheli, Wild Horse & Burro Specialist. Comments need to be post marked no later than July 25, 2020. Any other form of comments will not be accepted.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Trent Staheli, BLM Fillmore Field Office Wild Horse and Burro Specialist, at (435) 743-3164.

Sincerely,

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